





## For Sale.

## CHRISTMAS STORES.

## MacEwen, Frickel &amp; Co.

BE to call attention to the following New Supply of STORES, which they have Received.

Ex "GORDON CASTLE,"  
And Other Recent Arrivals.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, 4-lb., 5-lb. and 6-lb. each.  
CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDINGS.  
Pure AMERICAN CANDIES.  
Pure SCOTCH CANDIES.  
DRAGEES. ALMONDS.  
FANCY CHOCOLATES.  
MASSON'S CHOCOLATE CREAMS.  
NOUGATINES.  
CRYSTALLIZED METZ FRUITS.  
New Designs in OOSQUES.  
"OUTERWAY'S HAT BOX."  
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"GRANDMA'S BONNET BOX."  
"EDWIN and ANGELINA."  
&c., &c., &c.

SMYRNA FIGS.  
Muscatel BLOOM RAISINS.  
JORDAN ALMONDS.  
BRAZIL NUTS.  
PECAN NUTS.  
HICKORY NUTS.  
Cooking and Table PRUNES.  
Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS.  
Candied PEEL.  
MINCEMEAT in 1-lb. tins.  
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.  
CARAWAY SEEDS.  
SCHWEITZER'S COCOATINA.  
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LIMBURG CHEESE.  
FINE APPLE CHEESE.  
HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.  
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.  
GAME PIES.  
Potted MEATS.  
Prime Yorkshire HAMS.  
Prime Whitehead BACON in tins & Canvases.  
Pickled OX-TONGUES.  
OX-TONGUES in JELLY.  
TRUFFLES.  
CALIFORNIA ROLL BUTTER.  
CUTTING'S Canned DESSERT FRUITS.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS.  
CALIFORNIA CRACKER CO.'S GINGER CAKES.  
MILK BISCUITS.  
ALPHABET BISCUITS.  
OYSTERS BISCUITS.  
WAFER BISCUITS.  
SODA BISCUITS.

First-class and Medium CHAMPAGNES, Pils and Quarts.  
HOOK.  
SAUTERNES.  
OLARET.  
Fine Old Pale PORT, 1848.  
SACONNE'S Pale Dry SHERRY.  
Do. Amontillado SHERRY.  
LA GRANDE MARQUE CHARTREUSE, Pils and Quarts.  
MARASCHINO DE ZARA.  
CURACAO.  
Fine Old BOURBON WHISKY.  
SCOTCH and IRISH WHISKIES.  
BASS'S ALE Bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, Pils and Quarts.  
GUINNESS'S STOUT Bottled by E. & J. BORE, Pils and Quarts.

Specially Selected CIGARS.  
Princesses CHEROOTS.  
Cavite CHEROOTS.  
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Aroperos CIGARS.  
Vegueros CIGARS.  
Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes of 100.  
Choice No. 3 Melsig CHEROOTS.  
Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

PRESENTATION BOOKS.  
SCIENTIFIC WORKS.  
WORKS OF REFERENCE.  
SCHOOL BOOKS.

CHILDREN'S STORY BOOKS.  
CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS.  
NOVELS.  
ATLAS.  
HISTORIES.  
DICTIONARIES.

OLDENDORFF'S METHOD for Learning FRENCH and SPANISH.

DR. AHN'S METHOD for Learning GERMAN and FRENCH.

ASHBY'S MODEL BOOKS of FOREIGN COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENCE, GERMAN, FRENCH and SPANISH.  
"NORTH CHINA HERALD" D A T E BLOCK for 1880.

New SEASON'S PRESENT TEA, in 5 and 10 Catty Boxes.  
Hongkong, December 15, 1879.

## Intimations.

## ORIENTAL HOTEL.

MR. J. F. SHUSTER begs to announce that he carries on from this Date the above Establishment, as a FIRST-CLASS HOTEL. The House is now being THOROUGHLY RENOVATED and RE-FURNISHED. Mr. SHUSTER hopes by strict attention to Business, and by supplying the Best of Liquors, to merit a share of Public Patronage. The house has AMPLE ACCOMMODATION for BOARDERS, who will meet with every comfort. The Table will be of the Best and the Charges strictly Moderate. The Proprietor will be at all times ready to supply PICNIC PARTIES and to provide DINNERS for PARTIES of Six and upwards on very REASONABLE TERMS.

TWO NEW BOWLING ALLEYS HAVE BEEN LAID.

English and American BILLIARD TABLES.

Tiffin at ONE; DINNER at SEVEN.

WINE AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY.

ORIENTAL HOTEL,

J. F. SHUSTER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, November 5, 1879.

G. FALCONER & Co.,  
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS.

AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, December 20, 1879.

## NOTICE.

DR. EASTLAKE has Returned from MANILA, and will receive PATIENTS at his OFFICE, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

## DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

## COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

W. B. SPRATT & Co. have lately added an EXTENSIVE MACHINE SHOP and other APPLIANCES to the former Advantages of these Docks.

The DIMENSIONS of the DOCK are:—460 Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Ordinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24 Ft. Office, 20, PRATA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, October 4, 1879.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain nor the Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Binge—Melchers & Co.

MOSES B. TOWER, American barkentine, Capt. O. Hall—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MIDDELSSEX, British barque, Captain A. Walsh—Borneo Company.

GARIBALDI, American barque, Capt. T. J. Forbes—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PRINCE FREDERICK, British ship, Capt. John Clague—Vogel & Co.

KATIE FLICKINGER, Amer. barkentine, Capt. Gilman—Russell & Co.

## To-day's Advertisements.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship GAELIC are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence and/or from Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained, on countersignature of Bills of Lading. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 20th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

## STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,

ADEN, SUZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND

MARSEILLES;

Also,

BOMBAY, COLOMBO, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 21st January, 1880, at 11 p.m., the Company's S. S. PELHO, Commandant PASQUALE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until 10 a.m.

Cargo will be received on board until Noon, Specie and Parcels until 2 p.m. on the 21st January, 1880. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

## To-day's Advertisements.



SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Underigned until Noon, on MONDAY, the 19th Instant, for the SUPPLY of FIREWOOD, LIME, FIRECLAY, BRICKS, BAMBOO BISRETS, CHARCOAL (Chinese), to H. M. Naval Yard. Further Particulars may be obtained on Application.

J. BRENNER,  
Naval Storekeeper.

H. M.'s Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, 9th January, 1880.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY &amp; FOOCHOW.

The Steamship

"KWANGTUNG,"

Captain Abbott, will be de-

parted for the above Ports on

TUESDAY, the 13th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

## NOTICE.

THE Underigned requests that ALL CLAIMS against the late Firm of COHEN & HEATON be sent to him on or before January 28th Inst.

CHARLES C. COHEN.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Jan. 9, Memmuir, British steamer, 1247, W. Ellis, Sydney Dec. 2, and Singapore 29, General—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Jan. 9, 11 a.m., Gaelic, British steamer, 1712, W. H. Kidley, San Francisco Dec. 6, noon, and Yokohama Jan. 2, daylight, General—O. & O. S. S. Co.

Jan. 9, Kwangtung, British steamer, 674, J. C. Abbott, Fochow Jan. 6, Amoy 7, and Swatow 8, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

## DEPARTURES.

Jan. 8, Hochung, for Shanghai.

9, Charlton, for Saigon.

9, Yellung, for Swatow.

9, Hesperia, for Whampoa.

9, Volga, for Yokohama.

9, Iracouady, for Shanghai.

9, Ceres, for Takao.

9, Fuyun, for Shanghai.

9, Diamante, for Manila.

## CLEARED.

Hector, for Amoy and Shanghai.

Hawaii, for Hoihow.

Pampero, for London.

Katie Flickinger, for San Francisco.

Nigata Maru, for Kobe, &c.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per Memmuir, from Sydney, &c., Messrs C. Chubb, J. A. Singleton and servant, S. Davis, T. A. Landersburg, 4 Deck, and 250 Chinese.

Per Gaelic, from San Francisco, Mr. E. Parker, and 741 Chinese; from Yokohama, Mr. G. Pinker.

Per Kwangtung, from Coast Ports, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Mackay, and 103 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per Volga, for Yokohama: from Hongkong, Mr. P. E. da Silva; from Marseilles, Messrs Namamini, Miguel, Revs. Legrand, and Clement. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald; from Saigon, Mr. Zicavo.

Per Iracouady, for Shanghai from Marseilles, Messrs Gearing, Roca de Togares, Luis de Agur, Moleworth, Lehmann, Revs. Brugiere, Puthod, Bonne, Gowerby, Fruen, Russell Judd, and Mr. Bongan.

Per Diamante, for Manila, Mr. and Mrs. Abencher, Messrs Barretto, McPherson, Mapleson, and 112 Chinese.

Per Hochung, for Shanghai, 20 Chinese.

Per Charlton, for Saigon, 650 Chinese.

Per Yellung, for Swatow, 168 Chinese.

Per Fuyun, from Shanghai, 20 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The E. and A. M. S. Co.'s S. S. Memmuir reports: Left Sydney Dec. 2nd, arrived Brisbane 5th and left same day, arrived Rockhampton on 7th and left same day, arrived Bowen on the 8th and left same day, arrived Cooktown on 10th and left same day, arrived Thursday Island on 12th and left on 13th, arrived Singapore on 24th and left on 29th, and arrived in Hongkong on the 9th inst. at 7 a.m. Experienced from Sydney to Rockhampton strong head winds and sea and squally weather, thence to Cape Jacki moderate head winds and fine weather, thence to Singapore unsettled weather with heavy squalls of wind and rain and adverse currents, thence to port strong monsoon with thick rainy weather and heavy head sea. Passed barque Eme steering for Gaspar Straits on 23rd inst.

The O. and S. S. Gaelic, Capt. W. H. Kidley, left San Francisco on the 6th December at noon, had strong variable winds to the meridian, thence to Yokohama a succession of West and North-west gales with high seas, arriving on the 31st December, left at daylight on the 2nd Jan., had Westerly winds and fine weather on the Japan Coast, and very light monsoon down the sea. Arrived at Hongkong on the 9th at 11 a.m.

The British steamer Kwangtung reports: Left Fochow on the 6th inst., Amoy on 7th, and Swatow on the 8th. Had strong winds from N.E. and moderate sea first part, latterly had light N.E. winds and fine weather. Passed a steamer bound North off Breaker Point, and passed a French Mail bound North off Ninipans. In Fochow: a O. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer, In Amoy: S. S. Anchise, H. G. M. S. Marie Louise, H. M. S. Frolic, and R. C. Ling Feng. In Swatow: S. S. Yehsing, and R. O. Fei-hoo.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

For AMOY and SHANGHAI.—

Per Hector, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For HOIHOW and PAKHOL.—

Per Hainan, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 10th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.—

Per Kwangtung, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 13th inst.

## MEMOR. FOR TO-MORROW.

## Shipping.

Daylight.—Mitsu Bishi Mail leaves for Yokohama via Kobe.

3 p.m.—Hector leaves for Shanghai.

5 p.m.—Hainan leaves for Hoihow, &c.

## General Memoranda.

MONDAY, January 12:—  
2 p.m.—Auction of Books at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's Sales Rooms.

TUESDAY, January 13:—  
Daylight.—Kwangtung leaves for Coast Ports.

WEDNESDAY, January 14:—  
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Goods per Iracouady undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

11 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, January 16:—  
2 p.m.—Auction of German brig Carl. Transfer Books of Hongkong Hotel Co., Limited, closed from this date to 28th instant.

SATURDAY, January 17:—  
Transfer Books of H. C. & M. Steamboat Co. closed from this date to 28th instant, inclusive.

MONDAY, January 19:—  
Noon.—Tenders for supply of Sundries, received by Naval Storekeeper.

TUESDAY, January 20:—  
Goods per Gaelic undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 21:—  
11 p.m.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, January 23:—  
9 p.m.—"Sorcerer" at the City Hall.

SATURDAY, January 24:—  
Noon.—Memmuir leaves for Singapore, Brisbane, &c.

THURSDAY, January 29:—  
4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. C. & M. Hotel Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel.

FRIDAY, January 30:—  
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at No. 50a, Queen's Road.

## THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Established A.D. 1841.

香港大藥房

## A. S. WATSON &amp; Co.

FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,

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OF

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AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT

MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS

OF

Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,

Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla

Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and

continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

## BIRTH.

On the 8th Instant, at Hongkong, the

Wife of C. L. TREVIN, of a Daughter.

PASSENGERS arriving in Hongkong, or any other persons who may desire to consult the files of local, China, Japan, American, English, Indian or Australian newspapers, are invited to call at the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies, from these countries, are from to-day filed for reference.

Hongkong, Jan. 1, 1880.

The publication of this issue commenced at 8.00 p.m.

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JAN. 9, 1880.

EVER since the learned Chief Justice last returned to his responsible duties, he has made it a point to enquire at the Bankruptcy procedure of this Colony, and on every available opportunity to hit out at the unfortunate creditors for their alleged disinclination to prove their claims. Whether or not this line of action owes its origin in any measure to a conscientious feeling on His Lordship's part that he was in some degree responsible for the loose way in which these matters have been managed lately in the Hongkong Supreme Court, is probably not for us to say; but there can be no question that the lamentations over the sins of creditors have recently been very prominent, while formerly the vials of the judicial wrath used to fall upon the bankrupts. Now, a glance through the Return of all Bankruptcies filed in Hongkong during the last sixteen years, laid before the Legislative Council, together with the remarks appended thereto explanatory of what has been done with the moneys recovered, is not an exercise at all likely to encourage creditors to place much faith in the present working of the Supreme Court. A more lamentable document we have never seen, and one reflecting less credit upon the Colony can scarcely be conceived. As the Chief Justice remarked yesterday, "What the use was of having a Bankruptcy law here it was exceedingly difficult to see." In the face of the return in last Government Gazette, it must be admitted that in one sense at least—though in a sense very different to that suggested by the Judge—His Lordship's observation is exceedingly well-timed and to the

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next ENGLISH MAIL may be expected to arrive here on or about Sunday next, the 11th inst., by the P. & O. steamer *Geelong*, which left Singapore on the morning of the 5th. She brings London dates to Dec. 5th.

The delivery of the American Mail was begun at 0.50 to-day.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Birle, & Co.) that the steamer *Escambia* left Singapore for Hongkong to-day (9th).

H.M.S. *Iron Duke*, 14, Captain H. F. Cleveland, went round to Aberdeen Dock this forenoon, instead of to-morrow as was at first anticipated.

The poor man McDougal, whose sad story will be fresh in the minds of the community, committed suicide two days after leaving Hongkong, by jumping overboard. He was a passenger by the *Patroclus*, which left this port on the 20th ult.

No mail was brought on by the *Memmuir*, and we are still without our Singapore papers. The *Hector* brought the Fleet mail bag which should have come on by the *Iracouady*. The *Memmuir*'s Australian mail was brought on to Hongkong by the *Suez*. We shall now give over anticipating where the missing mail way have got to, or when it may be looked for here. The ways of the Singapore Postal Authorities are truly past finding out.

A SUBSCRIPTION list is lying at Messrs. Lane Crawford & Co.'s for donations towards the erection of a Mission Chapel at Long Island (Cheung Chau).



Per P. & O. steamer *Pera*, from Brindisi, Jan. 5, Dr. Henderson and Mr. R. Dunham, for Shanghai.

SHORTEN and Roberts, the billiard players, have been at Kiangong for a short time and are now off to Calcutta for "the season."

MANY of our readers may not be aware that in Hongkong a brick trade is done in white stone, quarried from the soil here and at adjacent places, such as Kowloon, and Yow-ma-tea. That these stones are much appreciated elsewhere is evident by the fact that quite an army of stone-cutters—some two or three thousand—find their daily bread in the Colony in dressing the article for exportation, and that nearly every sailing vessel that leaves our shores for Manila takes a few hundred slabs, whether for the purpose of trimming the vessel or otherwise. This stone arriving at Manila is promptly taken on shore for building purposes, several streets in Manila being paved with white stones from this Colony. In Canton also, this stone finds a ready market, as disclosed in the evidence of some of the witnesses in connection with the Tai Wan murder case, which is no doubt yet fresh in the minds of our readers. An attempt has lately been made in Teyaban, an island in the Philippines, to supply Manila with the article in question, instead of importing it from Hongkong, but nothing has as yet come of it.—Cor.

In August last Gen. Grant presented a valuable drop curtain to the manager of the principal theatre in Tokyo, and the manager has now sent in return a splendid set of harness, ornamented with gold and lacquered.

THE advice of American papers to hand by this mail state, under date Yokohama, November 1:—

The intelligence of Gen. Grant's views on the Loo Choo question was received here with intense interest. It is now known that the government of Japan was strongly influenced by Gen. Grant's warning against the machinations of European agents tending toward a rupture between Japan and China for the advantage of unscrupulous aliens.

MESSRS HEDGE & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, dated Pagoda Anchorage, January 3rd, says:—

Arrivals during the week.—Dec. 27, Kolga, from Swatow; 28, Douglas, from Hongkong; 29, Lapwing, from Cebu; 30, Charley, from Swatow; 31, Hedvig, from Swatow; 29, Sin Nanzing, from Shanghai; Jan. 1, Lee Yuen, from Swatow; 2, Anchong, from Shanghai.

Departures during the week.—Dec. 28, Namsa, for Hongkong; 30, Hao An, for Shanghai; Douglas, for Hongkong. Shipping in Port.—Kolga, Lapwing, Charley, Hedvig, Sin Nanzing, Lee Yuen, Anchong.

The new Postal time table for the Home mails shows a steamer speed of eleven miles on both sides of Suez. It may be that the competition for passage traffic, engendered by the opposition of such a number of companies, may compel the P. and O. Company to improve upon this, but it would have been much more satisfactory had this improvement been stipulated for in the contract. The short stay of six hours at Aden is even credited to the Company, as the rate of speed, including this stoppage, is 10½ miles per hour, and we have no hesitation in designating this as very creditable to us as a commercial nation.—*Statesman*.

Mr. John Russell Young says that since General Grant has arrived in America a leading Republican said to him that he was sorry Mr. Hayes had appointed such a prominent rebel as Colonel Mosby to so important a position as the Consulship at Hongkong. General Grant instantly replied that Colonel Mosby was a friend of his, that the colonel had endured much personal inconvenience from his Republicanism; he had done as much, if not more, than any other Southern man towards the restoration of peace in that section, and that he endorsed his appointment by Mr. Hayes. The General, as heretofore stated, has corroborated Colonel Mosby's account of the crookedness of his predecessor in the Hongkong consulate. In this connection it may also be remarked that Mr. Hayes recently, when asked by a friend if Colonel Mosby was to be removed for his recent revelations, replied not with his knowledge and consent.

To those who know the real facts of the case, the following, which appears in the correspondence of a Washington paper telegraphed from San Francisco, on the arrival of the China and Japan mail, will be highly amusing:—

Hongkong, Oct. 22, via Shanghai, Oct. 23.—There is a sensation in Hongkong caused by the quarrel between Col. Mosby and Governor Hennessy. The latter official desirous to obtain full official information concerning the opium traffic between Hongkong and Macao in order to check notorious and illegal practices, applies to Col. Mosby for copies of the United States records of shipments, &c. The Governor alleges that the request was made for the public good and with perfect courtesy, the same requests having been preferred to the other foreign consuls and all were willingly responded to. Col. Mosby alleged that the request implied a claim of the right to inspect consular documents, which he was bound to resent. The American citizens regret that the United States Consul has broken friendly relations with the Governor who had previously shown his great attention and consideration. The actual merits of the question are not yet determined.

Messrs Powell & Co., auctioneers, Singapore, in their *Auction Gazette*, reviewing the past year say:—

No one year, for a long time at least, has seen the completion of so many impor-

ant buildings as 1879. The first in usefulness is certainly the new club, a building which reflects no small credit on those on whom the planning, selection of site, and other work depended. A good club-house was a want long felt in the Colony, and the handsome building which was opened a few months ago is an acquisition to the place. The Jewish synagogue in Waterloo street was opened about the beginning of the year, and for neatness of architecture and general taste displayed, it is not surpassed by any building of the kind. The last erection to be mentioned is the New Masonic Hall, which, by the way, is to-day being opened with masonic honors. Another time we will describe the building which is one most creditable to the architect, but it is a thousand pities it did not rear its head in a more attractive site.

THE *Pioneer*, remarking on the result of Professor Nordenfjeld's voyage of exploration in the *Vega* and the opening up of the North-East Passage, says:—

Already there is a brisk intercourse between Europe and the mouth of the Yenesei, and there is no reason why steamers should not ply between Europe and the Lena. The produce of Siberia—and vast tracts of northern Asia can be readily developed,—will be floated down the great rivers of Ob, Yenesei, and Lena, and be shipped every summer for Europe. Nothing would prevent the growth of a large and profitable trade but the indifference or impotence of the Russian Government. If the Russians during the next decade must concentrate such energy as they have to spend in Asia on the regions south of the Jaxartes and Oxus, the enterprise of Nordenfjeld will go for nothing. If, on the other hand, the ambition which desires an advance towards India, can be exchanged for the legitimate pursuit of commercial prosperity in the north, Russia might soon be provided with an employment which would be profitable to herself and pleasing to other nations. The Russians have a mission in Asia, if they could only see it; but that mission is not to follow in the steps of Alexander and Tamerlane.

THE Scotch community of Bombay met on the 29th November to celebrate St. Andrew's Day. The dinner was held at Altamont, a bungalow situated on Camballa Hill, and was attended by most of the leading Scotchmen of the city. The following was the bill of fare:—

A WEE DRAPPEE TAILORSHIR. Food fills the name an' keeps us jellin'; The life's a gift no worth receivin'; When heavy drag'd wi' pine an' greivin'; But, oh! it's by thee, The wheels o' life gae doon-hill scerivin' Wi' rattlin' glee. Callippies Broth. Hotch Potch. Saumon a la Pottit Heed. Pomphlet a la Newhaven. Another drappie. Mince Collap—Doo Tairt.

HAGGIES. Fair fa' your honest face, Great chieftain o' the Fudrin race; Aboon them a' ye tak' yer place. Fainch, Tripe, or Thairin, Weel are ye wordy o' a grace As lang's ma airn.

AN EKE. Staff' Bubbly Jocks an' Hawm. Gigot o' Mutton w' Red Currant Jellie. Sheep's Head an' Trotters. Tatties Biled and Chappit. Bashed Neeps. Jist a wee Donal'. Glesky Magistrates. Sma' Peas frae France. Grozet Pies. Aiple Dumplings. Shiverin' Tammy Ocraners. Joe Puddin' w' Cookies.

A GUID DRAM TO KEEP A DOON. Gie him strong drink until he wink, That's sinkin' in despair; And liquor guid to fire his kind, That's wrought wi' dool an' care. Then shall he house, and deep carouse, Wi' bumper flowin' o'er, Till he forgits his loves or dobs, And minds his grieves no more.

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**Police Intelligence.**  
(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)  
Friday, Jan. 9.

DESTITUTES. Alfred Taylor, 43, of America, and Chas. Martin, 44, of Chili, were charged with being rogues and vagabonds. P.C. 20, Robert Mann, stated that about 6.15 this morning he found the two defendants in a cave on the hill side. They said they were destitute and had nowhere to go. The first defendant was formerly a turnkey in the gaol, but was dismissed on account of ill-health.

The first defendant said he was a seafaring man and since his dismissal from the gaol had tried his best to obtain employment but without success. He had no place to go to nor any means of obtaining a livelihood.

The second defendant said he came here about six months ago in a German vessel and was paid off by the Consul. He had also tried to obtain employment but had failed. The Consul would not do anything for him.

Both defendants were sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

BREACH OF THE OPIUM ORDINANCE. Two chair coolies, Teoi Luen Shing, 62, and Lo Aam, 38, were charged with retailing opium without a permit on the 8th inst., and were each fined in the sum of \$50, in default to suffer two months' imprisonment; the opium and utensils for boiling to be forfeited.

SEEKING PROMOTION. P.C. No. 666, Khan Singh, was placed before his Worship charged with misconduct as a Police Constable, and a breach of Police discipline. Thomas Grey, Acting Chief Inspector of Police, stated that on the 31st ult. defendant handed him a petition for promotion to the rank of Sergeant. He was told there was no vacancy at that time. Some time afterwards Mr Grey was going down Wyndham Street, and when near the Hotel de l'Univers defendant ran after him and thrust some paper into the inspector's hand, saying he had now got another child. On looking at the papers, Mr Grey found one child contained two \$5 notes. On the Inspector asking what this meant he received the reply, "Ten dollars, sahib, and when I am made corporal I will give you \$10 more." The matter having been re-

ported to the Governor through the Superintendent of Police orders were given to prosecute the prisoner for a breach of Police discipline.

Defendant admitted the charge and said he made a mistake.

Defendant had previously borne a good character and had served in the force since April, 1878.

His Worship sentenced the prisoner to pay a fine of \$50, or three months' imprisonment.

KIDNAPPING. The charge of decoying a child under 14 years of age into this Colony for an unlawful purpose, and remanded from the 7th inst., was again before the court to-day.

Mr Ng A-shay appeared for the defence, but as Mr Plunket's presence was required in the Supreme Court, the further hearing of the case was postponed till Tuesday next the 13th inst. at 2 p.m.

A number of minor cases had also to lie over till to-morrow.

**Australian Items.**

By the E. & A. mail steamer *Menmuir*, Captain W. Ellis, arrived this morning, we have late files from which we cull the following items:—

**VICTORIA.**

The action, *Daily Telegraph* v. the Hon. Graham Berry, has resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff, damages £26, with costs. The Union Bank has indicated that it intends to take advantage of the Act recently passed by the Imperial Parliament, and register the Bank under the Companies' Act 1862 to 1879, increasing the amount of the shares from £26, the present paid-up amount, to £72 each, the additional £50 per share being intended to be exclusively a guarantee reserve.

The division on the third reading of the Reform Bill in the Legislative Assembly Dec. 5, was—Ayes, 43; noes, 38. As there was not an absolute majority of the whole House in favour of the motion, the bill was lost.

**NEW ZEALAND.**

Sir George Grey has introduced a bill to make the Legislative Council elective, each island being a single constituency, and the House triennial in term.

The Wellington correspondent of the *Lyttelton Times* telegraphs that the question of separation is undoubtedly being mooted at present very cautiously, but there is a large party prepared to support it, in view of Auckland's action.

The political atmosphere has not been so quiet for years. There are no rumours of plots and counterplots, and the general tone of the House appears to be one of satisfaction; and the moderates, who had no particular object in view, are glad they have not had to go through another election.

**NEW SOUTH WALES.**

The New South Wales men won the cricket match by 33 runs. The Victorians made 116 in the second innings.

It is reported that Earl Belmore will be offered the Agent-Generalship, if Mr Stuart does not accept the appointment.

Captain Moonlight seems to regard his fate as sealed, and now hopes to cheat the law by making an effort to save the necks of his comrades. There is some talk of the Government issuing a special commission for the trial of Moonlight and his gang, without waiting for the ordinary session of the court, as was done in the case of O'Farrell, who shot the Duke of Edinburgh; but the precedent in O'Farrell's case was admittedly a bad one, and is hardly likely to be followed again in a hurry.

It is stated that a companion of Moonlight, now in Portridge, has confessed to detective Mackay that the object of Moonlight's lectures was to raise money to organize a gang, to proceed as stevedores passengers by the mail steamer, intending to get possession of the vessel, and then compel the Lascars to land them, with the gold and specie, on some part of the Australian coast. A telegram from London states that two or three vessels, fitted with Kinnaird's and Knott's machinery for the shipment of fresh meat to England, are on their way to this colony.

The police engaged with the Moonlight gang, are to receive rewards from £50 to £100 each.

In the Legislative Assembly, Mr Buchanan has given notice of motion that the Lieutenant-Governor being a member of the Legislative Council is inconsistent with the spirit of the Constitution.

In the Intercolonial Rifle Match, the New South Wales team scored 709, and Queensland 696.

Sir Hercules Robinson and family are expected to visit the Exhibition in December. It is proposed to give him an immense reception.

About 11 o'clock on the morning of the 8th a most extraordinary hailstorm passed over the town. For several minutes hailstones as large as eggs came down in thousands. There have been great storms all over Australia, within the week.

25,328 births and 10,763 deaths were registered in the colony during last year. Over a quarter of a million were admitted to the exhibition since the opening day, and over 190,000 paid entrance fees.

A young man calling himself the Australian Bloods was performing at Ulling last night, Nov. 6, when some one cut the rope. He fell and was seriously injured.

Mr Alexander Stuart has been appointed Agent-General for this colony in London. The holiday to-day (Nov. 10th) was a grand national demonstration, and was a tremendous success. There was an enormous procession of the friendly societies, and attendance at the Exhibition is estimated at 30,000. There were excursions and amusements in every direction.

Rumors are becoming so frequent in this neighborhood, says the *Banalla Standard*, regarding the Kellys, that no truth can be placed in the statement that they have left the colony. It is very singular, though, that the police know nothing of the news. The latest information to hand is that there are certain trees in the remotest part of the Wombat Ranges that are from time to time marked with significant letters and sentences, such as—"X Banalla," "Kuros R," "Beware traps," and "Safe at home." There is a party of civilians out somewhere in the above direction in search of the Kellys, and we are informed that they noticed marks such as the above that have been recently cut. It is believed they are signal marks of the Kelly friends, and are the important means of communication. An informant assures us that the Kellys were positively seen within ten miles of Banalla less than two months ago.

## NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The American Mail arrived here to-day by the O. & O. steamer *Gaelic*, which left Yokohama on the 2nd inst. She brings San Francisco dates up to December 6th. We take the following telegrams of late dates from San Francisco files:—

London, Dec. 2.—The *Chemnitz Tageblatt* states that an explosion of fire-damp occurred in a mine in that district last evening, and it is feared that from 70 to 80 persons perished. The recovery of the corpses is actively proceeding.

A Berlin despatch says:—The Czar will inform the nobility of Moscow, at the reception to-day, of his determination to call a number of unofficial advisers to assist him in the government of the Empire. The council will be purely deliberative, without any right of control or interference, and will be chosen partly by suffrages of the middle and peasant classes and partly by direct nomination by the Czar from the ranks of the hereditary nobility. Other measures of local reform will also be announced. These innovations have been strongly advocated by the Czarovitch.

A despatch from Buenos Ayres, Dec. 2nd, says:—Intelligence has been received here that the Porfirian Army is concentrating in the province of Tarapaca, and that the Chileans are marching to meet it. An important battle appears imminent.

Thomas Bayley Potter, M.P., recently returned from America, speaks enthusiastically of the progress and prospects of the United States and of the solidity of the Republican institutions of the country.

Parnell and Finigan expect to start for New York on the 17th inst. Parnell will be present at the trial of the prisoners at Carrick, on the Shannon, which, it is expected, will terminate by December 15th.

News have been received at Liverpool that war has broken out between rival chiefs in New Calabar, West Africa, and that 200 persons have been slain, and the wounded and prisoners killed and eaten. Europeans in New Calabar requested the British Naval officer to interfere. It is apprehended that the outbreak will spread.

The conflict which has broken out in New Calabar, West Africa, is between King Amachree, of New Calabar, and his followers on the one hand, and a powerful chief, called Wildbrail, on the other. Some time since the King of New Calabar died, and the accession to the throne of Amachree has not given general satisfaction. During the conflict mentioned in the previous despatch, no quarter was shown to the wounded or prisoners, who were immediately killed in many cases and eaten by the lowest classes of natives. It was thought the British naval commander would not interfere unless the British factories were threatened or destroyed, or British subjects molested.

Bonney is suffering almost equally with New Calabar, and the trade of the district is almost at a standstill. King Jai is also reported to be collecting forces and was material to join in the struggle. In such an event the inhabitants of Three Rivers would be drawn into the conflict. Her Majesty's ship *Dido* was outside the bar at Bonney, ready to enter or send in a boat in case of necessity.

A Paris correspondent states that in the Chamber of Deputies, last night, Paul de Cassagnac was formally censured by the House for refusing to retract an insult he had offered to Jules Ferry, Minister of Public Instruction.

Dec. 5.—A despatch from Alexandria contradicts the report that the British and French Consuls at Massowah have summoned King John, of Abyssinia, to allow Gordon Pasha to return to Egypt without hindrance. The despatch says there is no British Consul at Massowah. No news has been received of Gordon Pasha since he returned to Delatrat, at King John's request, and it is not yet time for letters to arrive from him. The reports of strained relations between Egypt and Abyssinia are greatly exaggerated. No troops have left Cairo and none are preparing to leave, except one battalion which Gordon Pasha requested in his last communication.

A Cairo special says that a meeting of the Council of Ministers was held yesterday, the Khedive presiding, in consequence of a despatch having been received stating that two Chiefs, acting under the Khedive's orders, had traced Gordon Pasha to Suai, where they found him in good health, but were prevented from bringing back any letters from him. King John, with a powerful army, had gone to Gondar.

The Egyptian officer commanding at Suai represents that the Abyssinian general Ras Alout means to attack that post.

The Post announces that Rev. Arthur Wegener, St. Paul's Church, Brighton, has joined the Romish Church on account of the acceptance by a majority of the English clergy of the Eranian doings of Lord Penzance's Court, and it is rumored that several members of his congregation and one of the Sisterhood at Brighton will follow his example.

A St. Petersburg correspondent states that the *Golos* was suspended for its outspoken articles upon the widespread misery and poverty in the interior provinces, the university question, agricultural schools, and the dishonesty and barbarism of the Communal authorities.

The *Daily News* understands that, about six months ago, the Russian Embassy here received information that an attempt would be made on the Czar's life by blowing up the Imperial train. The St. Petersburg Government was immediately informed of this, and it is believed the projected attempt has been more than once frustrated.

The *News* correspondent at Fort Wheeler, South Africa, reports that the Boers still talk of resistance. The same correspondent says that Sococoel shows no wish to make peace.

The *Times*, in its financial article, says: The Industry Cotton Spinning Company, the owners of large mills at Oldham, have gone into liquidation in consequence of the depression of trade.

The *Telegraph's* financial article states that the liabilities of Goddard & Co. will reach £500,000. The estate is expected to realize only a small dividend.

Labouchere is held for trial, on his own recognizance of £200, on the charge of libelling Lawson.

The discount in Bulgaria is said to be chiefly due to the Millist tendencies, widely propagated by young Bulgarians educated in Slav-Slavonic schools in Russia.

Lessopetrates the Nicaragua canal scheme very lightly, and is proceeding with his Panama scheme as if he expects it to succeed.

Working-men of Switzerland are contemplating emigration, as a remedy for their lack of employment.

An Alexandria despatch says that the Egyptian Government has sold the *Desau*, an old steamer of the Khedive's Postal Service, for £5100, to America, for use in the Customs Service.

A Rome despatch announces that Italy has recognized the independence of Romania by the appointment of an Italian Plenipotentiary to Bucharest.

It is reported that Gortchakoff left Berlin well satisfied with the result of his visit. He has had repeated interviews with the Ambassadors of the leading Powers.

A Rome despatch says it is untrue that the Vatican has written to the Irish Bishops, asking their interposition to quiet the agitation; but says that the Archbishop of Dublin having informed the Pope of threatened disturbances, the Vatican replied by advising prudence on the part of the clergy and people of Ireland.

A Sofia telegram says that, owing to Parliamentary disagreements, Prince Alexander has informed the Czar that he desires to abdicate.

Agitation and sympathy meetings were held all over County Mayo, Ireland, to-day. The principal one was at Ballinaderin, at which James Daly was present. He was received on his arrival and escorted to the stand by some hundred of men armed with pikes. Several Catholic clergymen were present. Daly was enthusiastically greeted. Three Government reporters were on the stand, taking notes. The gathering numbered about 10,000 persons. In the course of his speech, Daly said he did not advise the non-payment of exorbitant rents. Various resolutions were passed, all condemning the action of the Government.

The gathering in Hyde Park, to-day, in response to a call for an organized demonstration in favor of the Irish agitators, consisted of an immense mob; it is estimated 50,000 persons were present.

Dublin, Dec. 3.—The interest in the Parnell agitation remains unabated throughout Ireland. Public attention at present is being chiefly pointed to Parnell's Liverpool speech, which is regarded as a direct and bold challenge to the English Government to arrest him if they dare. The speech being delivered in England, Parnell would be tried by an English jury and an English Judge. It is pointed out that David, Daly and Killen used no more seditious language, but the use of such language is defended by Parnell's friends, by references to precedents in Irish history, such as the measures taken in 1782. In Government circles apparently but little importance is attached to the agitation, though it is necessary to assert the supremacy of the law by the arrest of those inciting their followers to deeds of violence. The Government believes that Parnell's friends are working entirely for political purposes. Their claims are considered out of the question, as the Government cannot force landlords to give up their estates. "Suppose," said a Government official to a correspondent yesterday, "that land were given up to the people to-morrow; there would be a new race of landlords in a month. Those having more acres than they needed would buy up. In a few years there would be as many great landlords as now." The present trouble is believed to be in the smallness of the majority of the holdings, which are not big enough to support tenants.

The distress in the West of Ireland is not denied, but the Government hopes and expects to meet the emergency by facilitating the working of the Poor Laws and lending money to those towns desirous of starting relief works. The Government do not contemplate starting relief works on their own account. The only remedy for Ireland's land troubles which the Government believes possible and practicable is immigration.

The above information may be considered as authoritative. Whether the Government fears insurrection or not, precautions are being taken in various military stations of Ireland against any emergency. Double guards are placed on duty at various points where military stores are kept.

Parnell, in an interview, told a correspondent that the American trip is still doubtful. "My plans," he said, "have been interfered with on account of the arrests. Since these events, I have been unable to consult my colleagues regarding the advisability of leaving Ireland in the present critical time. The next few months will be important in our agitation, and consequently, I may be more useful in Ireland than in America. All reports touching my departure are premature. If I go, it will probably be decided at the end of the week."

Another correspondent, interviewing Parnell, reports the latter as saying: "The agitation will be pushed vigorously. There will be much suffering in Ireland this winter. The potatoes have failed, and the stock will soon be exhausted. The want of fuel will also cause great suffering. I shall speak, with others, at Castleton next Sunday, and there will be other meetings elsewhere, then and after. The English know and care very little about Irish questions. It is impossible to touch their consciences. The only practical agitation is in Ireland."

Madrid, Dec. 5.—The water of the Guadaira River has risen considerably, and fresh inundations are apprehended.

The Cabinet Council has approved the report of the Senate Committee on the bill for the abolition of slavery in Cuba, and the bill was read in the Senate to-day.

Premier Campos has promised the Cuban Cortes that he will shortly present to the Cortes a bill relative to economical reform and reforms in the laws relative to the coasting trade in Cuba.

The Government has decided to despatch several small war vessels to Cuba.

The vineyards of Malaga, covering an area of 25,660 hectares, have been attacked by the phylloxera. The pest is increasing in Gerona and Catalonia.

Vienna, Dec. 1.—Count Zichy's resignation is the first sign of Baron Haymerle's having decided upon great changes in Austrian diplomacy. The fullest conviction prevails here that Austria will support all the English efforts at Constantinople, as far as possible.

Vienna, Dec. 5.—The Low House of the Reichstag rejected the motion for a reduction of the standing army, and adopted the first clause of the Government's bill fixing the strength of the army on a war footing at 800,000. The clause of the bill prolonging its operation for ten years failed to obtain the necessary two-thirds majority, 174 members voting for and 165 against it. The

amendment prolonging it for three years was also rejected.

Philippopolis, December 4.—Twenty villages in Kirdoball District of the Rhodope Mountains have risen in arms, and 500 insurgents have seized the local fund and made prisoners of the gendarmes.

Constantinople, Dec. 1.—The split in the Cabinet threatens to produce a Ministerial crisis, owing to differences between the Prime Minister and the Minister of the Interior. The result will probably be the resignation of the latter.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 4.—It is reported that many arrests have been made in Moscow among railway employees, in connection with the late attempt on the Czar.

Dec. 4.—The Czar arrived safely this afternoon, and proceeded to the Winter Palace in an open sleigh. Great crowds of troops, lining the streets, cheered him enthusiastically.

Dec. 5.—The Czar visited the theatre last night, and was most enthusiastically received. The performance was suspended while the Russian national anthem was sung.

Rome, Dec. 4.—It is announced that Count Corti, the present Italian Ambassador at Constantinople, will go to London, and Count Menabrea, the present Ambassador at London, will replace Gen. Chialdini as Ambassador at Paris.

Cabul, Dec. 3.—The suddenness of the removal of the Ameer from Cabul to Peshawur was calculated upon to thwart any attempt of the tribes along the road to rescue him from the British.

St. Louis, Dec. 4.—Carlotti Patti entered suit this afternoon against the *Post-Despatch* asking \$25,000 damages for publishing an alleged libelous article from the *Leavenworth Times* of last Sunday, in which she is stated to have been drunk on the occasion of her concert there the night previous.

New York, Nov. 15.—President Hayes this week completed the outline of the annual Message to be sent by him as usual, to Congress on December 4th. He will not write it in full until after the celebration of Thanksgiving-Day, on November 27th. The most prominent passage of the Message, as well as the most significant, from the standpoint of foreign policy and of the next presidential campaign, will be the paragraph in which he alludes to the brilliant reception everywhere offered to General Grant, in the countries visited by him, and conveys to the nations officially, the thanks of the Administration and of the American people.

**THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.**  
The following paragraphs are from the President's Message contained in the American papers to hand to-day:—

The treaty recently made between Japan and the United States, in regard to the revision of former treaties, it is now believed will be followed by similar action on the part of other treaty Powers.

The attention of Congress is again invited to the subject of the indemnity funds received some year since from Japan and China, which with their accumulated interest, now amount to considerable sums. If any part of these funds is justly due to American citizens, they should receive it promptly, and whatever may have been received by the Government in excess of strictly just demands should in some form be returned to the nation to whom it equitably belongs.

The Government of China has signified its willingness to consider the question of the emigration of its subjects to the United States with a dispassionate fairness, and to co-operate in such measures as will tend to prevent injurious consequences to the United States. The negotiations are still proceeding, and will be pressed with diligence.

A question having arisen between Japan and China, about the Loo Choo Islands, the United States Government has taken measures to inform these Powers of its readiness to extend its good offices, for the maintenance of peace, if they shall mutually deem it desirable and find it practicable to avail themselves of the proffer.

Diplomatic intercourse with Columbia is again fully restored by the arrival of a Minister from that country to the United States. This is especially fortunate in view of the fact that the question of an interoceanic canal has recently assumed a new and important aspect, and is now under discussion with the Central American countries through whose territory the canal by the Nicaragua route would have to pass. It is trusted that enlightened statesmanship on their part will see that the early prosecution of such a work will largely inure to the benefit, not only of their own citizens and those of the United States, but of the commerce of the civilized world. It is not doubted that should the work be undertaken under the protective auspices of the United States, and upon satisfactory concessions for the right of way and its security by the Central American Governments, the capital for its completion would readily be furnished from this country and Europe, which might, failing such guarantees, prove inaccessible. Diplomatic relations with China have also been strengthened by the reception of a Minister from that country.

**Quotations.**  
HONGKONG, January 9.  
OPIMUM.—New Fata, cash...\$870  
" Old " cash... 640  
" New Senares, cash, 647  
" Old " cash, 625  
" New Malwa, credit, 710  
" Allowance " Tea, 700  
" Old Malwa, credit, 770  
" Allowance Teas, —



## Mails.

## MITSUBISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. *NIIGATA MARU*, Captain WALKER, due here on or about the 5th Jan., 1880, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 10th Jan., at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 9th January.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

## RATES OF PASSAGE.

To Kobe..... Cabin \$50. Steerage \$15.  
" Yokohama & Do. \$75. Do. \$20.  
Nagasaki..... Do. \$75. Do. \$20.

A Reduction is made on RETURN CABIN PASSAGES.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, January 5, 1880. ja12

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## S. S. "NIIGATA MARU," FROM KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after TUESDAY, the 6th instant, will be landed and stored at Consignees' expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

MITSUBISHI MAIL S. S. Co.,  
6, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, January 5, 1880. ja12

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES, AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. *GALILEO* will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, January 14th, 1880, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 13th January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

A Reduction is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.  
Hongkong, December 29, 1879. ja14



## STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON; ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *KAISAR-I-HIND*, Capt. METUEN, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, at 11 p.m.

For further Particulars, apply to  
A. McIVER, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, January 6, 1880. ja15

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

## FROM CALOUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Suez*, Capt. EATON, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees are also hereby informed that any Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 12th instant.

D. SASSOON, SONS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 8, 1880. ja10

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

## S. S. IRAOUADY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Irakoudy*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-day at 1 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 14th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja14

## TO LET.

FOUR-STORIED HOUSES in Hollywood Road.  
A HOUSE in Lyndhurst Terrace.  
Apply to  
E. R. BELILIOS.  
Hongkong, December 27, 1879.

## TO LET.

"ROSE VILLAS"—EAST.  
SIX ROOMS, upon BONHAM and ROBINSON ROADS. GAS, WATER, FLOWER and VEGETABLE GARDEN, STABLE and TENNIS LAWN.  
Apply to  
SHARP & DANBY,  
No. 6, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

## TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS STONE FLOORED GOD-DOWN, Situated upon MARINE LOT 10. Possession from 1st December next. Also, the TWO HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, now in the occupation of the TEMPERANCE HALL. Possession from 1st December.

Apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

## STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE IN GODOWNS IN PEDDAR'S WHARF BUILDINGS, at Moderate Terms.  
Apply to  
G. R. LAMMERT.  
Hongkong, August 9, 1879.

## TO LET.

ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.  
Apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

## INSURANCES.

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
FIRE AND LIFE.  
MEYER & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, June 2, 1879. 2jn80

## INSURANCES.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premium for LIFE Insurance in China.  
MEYER & Co., Agents.  
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## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

## QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Kinks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

## LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)  
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

## THE LONDON ASSURANCE

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

## Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

## Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £ 100,000 " Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000 " Annual Income £ 250,000 "

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 15, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1800.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 8, 1875.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>							
China	5 c	Alderton	Brit.	str.	1070	Dec. 28	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Diamante	5 b	Cullen	Brit.	str.	514	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.
Famo	4 b	Stapani	Brit.	str.	117	Jan. 8	H. K. & W. P. Co.
Fuyow	4 c	Cropan	Chl.	str.	920	Jan. 9	C. M. S. N. Co.
Gaelic	5 c	Kidley	Brit.	str.	1712	Jan. 9	O. & S. S. Co.
Hainan	5 c	Conner	Amer.	str.	881	Jan. 8	Russell & Co.
Hecior	5 c	Jones	Brit.	str.	1589	Jan. 8	Butterfield & Swire
Kwangtung	5 b	Abbott	Brit.	str.	674	Jan. 9	Douglas Laprak & Co.
Menmuir	5 c	Ellis	Brit.	str.	1247	Jan. 9	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Nigata Maru	4 c	Walker	Japan.	str.	1096	Jan. 5	Vitua Bishi M. S. S. Co.
Norna	5 c	Love	Brit.	str.	606	May 31	Kwok Achong
Sea Gull	3 k	Haydon	Amer.	str.	48	Mar. 24	China Traders' Insurance Co.
Suez	5 c	Eaton	Brit.	str.	1890	Jan. 3	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Swatow	5 c	Hutcheson	Brit.	str.	820	Jan. 4	Butterfield & Swire
Thales	5 c	Peters	Brit.	str.	820	Dec. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Venice	5 h	Rhode	Brit.	str.	1271	Jan. 4	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>							
Alden Bease	4 k	Noyes	Amer.	bq.	842	Dec. 16	Rozario & Co.
Alice Reed	4 k	Killeran	Amer.	bq.	873	Dec. 6	Vogel & Co.
Bonito	4 c	Wesenberg	Ger.	bq.	524	Dec. 12	Siemssen & Co.
Bua Caso	2 c	Lange	Siem.	bq.	338	Jan. 2	Chinese
Carl	4 c	Thomsen	Ger.	bq.	225	Dec. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Ceres	4 c	McWilliam	Brit.	bq.	454	Dec. 8	Captain
Chamron Kanyre	2 h	Stolze	Siem.	bq.	480	Dec. 15	Tuen Fat Hong
Chocola	1 k	Kennett	Brit.	bq.	284	July 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.
City of Boston	5 c	Crosby	Amer.	sh.	1062	Dec. 18	Vogel & Co.
Claro Babuyan	4 c	Polson	Brit.	bq.	358	Nov. 29	Vogel & Co.
Duke of Abercorn	3 c	Binnie	Brit.	sh.	1049	Jan. 4	Borneo Co., Limited
Elizabeth Childs	3 c	Lindbergh	Brit.	bq.	391	Nov. 9	Vogel & Co.
Empire	7 c	Leckie	Amer.	sh.	1131	Dec. 6	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Emulation	3 c	Gunn	Brit.	bq.	391	Jan. 8	Wielor & Co.
Federick Perthes	3 c	Walzer	Ger.	bq.	446	Nov. 29	Russell & Co.
Garibaldi	3 c	Forbes	Amer.	bq.	670	Dec. 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Goliah	2 c	Schiphorst	Ger.	bq.	542	Nov. 25	Wo Tye Hong
Harmonie	5 k	Havenet	Amer.	bq.	865	Dec. 11	Molchers & Co.
Haydn Brown	3 k	Millican	Brit.	bq.	405	Oct. 20	Vogel & Co.
Hermine	2 c	Conzrao	Swed.	bq.	289	Dec. 26	Edvard Schallhaus & Co.
Hesperus	4 c	Mayer	Ger.	bq.	350	Jan. 5	Edvard Schallhaus & Co.
Higlander	7 c	Specht	Ger.	bq.	767	Dec. 26	Siemssen & Co.
Hindoo	4 c	Hutchinson	Amer.	sh.	1352	June 19	Vogel & Co.
John Nicholson	5 c	Mathieson	Ger.	bq.	541	Dec. 25	Wielor & Co.
Katie Flickinger	7 c	Campbell	Brit.	sh.	685	Dec. 9	Vogel & Co.
Middlesex	4 c	Gilmou	Amer.	bktine.	473	Dec. 29	Russell & Co.
Morning Star	2 c	Walsh	Brit.	sh.	1191	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.
Moses B. Tower	3 c	Michaelson	Siem.	bq.	570	Dec. 27	Chinese
Palma	4 c	Binge	Ger.	bq.	637	Nov. 30	Vogel & Co.
Pampero	8 c	McKenzie	Brit.	bq.	299	Nov. 12	Vogel & Co.
Prince Frederick	4 c	Bannan	Ger.	bq.	588	Nov. 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Roderick Hay	5 k	Clague	Brit.	sh.	748	Dec. 28	Carlowitz & Co.
Saml. D. Carleton	7 c	Nicolson	Brit.	bq.	1490	Dec. 29	Vogel & Co.
Sophie	4 c	Freeman	Amer.	bq.	290	Dec. 11	Turner & Co.
Spartan	7 c	Baag	Amer.	bq.	884	Nov. 26	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Southern Cross	7 b	Gibb	Amer.	sh.	1129	Oct. 15	Russell & Co.
Sumatra	3 k	Vincent	Amer.	sh.	81	Aug. 27	W. H. Ray
Winlow	3 l	Clough	Amer.	sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.
	4 k	Barker	Brit.	bq.	456	Nov. 28	Vogel & Co.
<b>WHAMPOA</b>							
Fantasia		Cooper	Brit.	bq.	693	Dec. 15	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Hesperia		Joannsen	Ger.	str.	1136	Jan. 9	Siemssen & Co.
Marco Polo		Breckwoldt	Ger.	bq.	358	Dec. 11	Carlowitz & Co.
<b>CANTON</b>							
China		Ackermann	Ger.	str.	648	Jan. 7	Siemssen & Co.
Chinkiang		Orr	Brit.	str.	799	Jan. 9	Siemssen & Co.
Fung-shun		Andrew	Chl.	str.	863	Jan. 8	C. M. S. N. Co.

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Hart	K. D.	British	gun vessel	584	4	120	Dec. 31	R. Evans
Iron Duke	A. D.	British	Flag-ship (iron-clad)	6430	14	800	Dec. 15	Henry F. Cleveland
Kerguelen	7 c	French	corvette	2581	10	120	Dec. 18	Matthew
Meeanee	6 k	British	military hospital	600	4	120	Nov. 8	O. B. Palmer
Pong-chou-hai	K. D.	Chinese	revenue cruiser	2000	20	250	Jan. 2	A. E. K. Benham
Richmond	6 c	U. S.	frigate	3087	20	250	Jan. 6	Commodore